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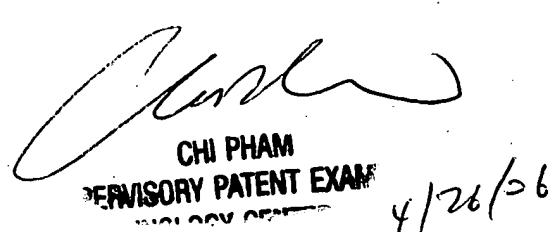
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1.  The amendment filed on 29 December 2005 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a)  entered.
- b)  entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c)  disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.  
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- d)  disapproved. See explanation below.
- e)  entered in part. See explanation below.



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